

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION**

# MARK ORGAN

541 Mosgrove Street  
Urbana, Ohio 43078

Plaintiff,

V.

**PMAB, LLC**

c/o CT Corporation System  
1300 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114,

Defendant.

) Case No: 3:14-cv-27  
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) JURY DEMAND REQUESTED  
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) **VERIFIED CIVIL COMPLAINT**  
) **(Unlawful Debt Collection Practices)**  
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## VERIFIED COMPLAINT

PLAINTIFF, Mark Organ (Plaintiff), by his attorneys, KAHN AND ASSOCIATES, L.L.C., alleges the following against DEFENDANT, PMAB, LLC (Defendant):

# INTRODUCTION

1. Plaintiff's Complaint is based on the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, *15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.* (FDCPA).

## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2. Jurisdiction of this court arises pursuant to *15 U.S.C. 1692k(d)*, which states that such actions may be brought and heard before “any appropriate United States district court without regard to the amount in controversy,” and *28 U.S.C. 1367* grants this court supplemental jurisdiction over the state claims contained therein.
3. Because Defendant conducts business in Ohio, personal jurisdiction is established.

4. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 *U.S.C. 1391(b)(2)*.

### **PARTIES**

5. Plaintiff is a natural person who resides in the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Ohio and is allegedly obligated to pay a debt, and Plaintiff is a “consumer” as that term is defined by 15 *U.S.C. 1692a(3)*.
6. Pursuant to the definitions outlined in 15 *U.S.C. 1692a(1-6)*, Defendant is a debt collector and sought to collect a consumer debt from Plaintiff which was allegedly due and owing from Plaintiff, and Plaintiff is a consumer debtor.
7. Defendant is a North Carolina limited liability company and debt collector with an office in Cincinnati, Ohio.
8. Defendant uses instrumentalities of interstate commerce or the mails in any business the principal purpose of which is the collection of any debts, or who regularly collects or attempts to collect, directly or indirectly, debts owed or due or asserted to be owed or due another and is a "debt collector" as that term is defined by 15 *U.S.C. § 1692a(6)*.
9. Defendant is a collection agency that in the ordinary course of business, regularly, on behalf of itself or others, engages in debt collection.

### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

10. Defendant is seeking to collect an allegedly due and owed consumer debt obligation which was incurred for personal, family, or household purposes.
11. Defendant, using telephone number 704.553.7146, places repeated, frequent, and excessive collection calls to Plaintiff at telephone number 937.508.4512.

12. Defendant has called Plaintiff and accused him of missing payments when in fact Plaintiff did make the payment to Defendant.
13. Defendant's agent began to argue with Plaintiff regarding the allegedly missed payment. After this confrontation occurred, Defendant began calling Plaintiff and then immediately hanging up on him when he answered.
14. Defendant places calls to Plaintiff on an almost daily basis. Defendant's frequent calls where Defendant hangs up evidences that Defendant is placing calls to Plaintiff for purposes of making his telephone ring with the intent of harassment or annoyance.

## **COUNT I**

### **DEFENDANT VIOLATED THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT**

15. Defendant violated the FDCPA based on the following:
  - a. Defendant violated §1692d by engaging in conduct the natural consequence of which is to harass, oppress, or abuse any person in connection with the collection of a debt.
  - b. Defendant violated §1692d(5) by causing a telephone to ring or engaging any person in telephone conversation repeatedly or continuously with intent to annoy, abuse, or harass any person at the called number.
  - c. Defendant violated §1692e(10) by the use of any false representation or deceptive means to collect or attempt to collect a debt or obtain information concerning a consumer.
  - d. Defendant violated §1692f by using any unfair or unconscionable means to collect or attempt to collect a debt.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Mark Organ, respectfully requests judgment be entered against Defendant, for the following:

16. Statutory damages of \$1000.00 pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, *15 U.S.C. 1692k*,
17. Costs and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, *15 U.S.C. 1692k*
18. Any other relief that this Honorable Court deems appropriate.

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff, Mark Organ, requests a jury trial in this case.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

KAHN & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

/s/ J. Daniel Scharville

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